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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Application No.: 09 / 544,349

Group No.: 1761 in parent case

Filed: 04/06/2000

Examiner: DuBois in parent case

For: FOOD PRODUCT METHOD OF PREPARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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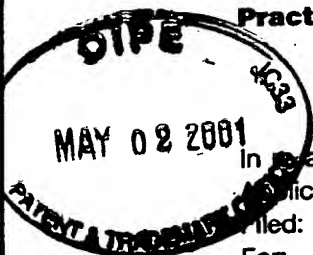
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First Named Inventor: BORNHORST WILLIAM C

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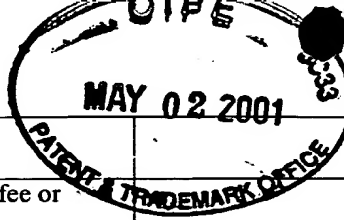
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